

Auditing Procedures Report

Issued under P.A. 2 of 1968, as amended and P.A. 71 of 1919, as amended.

Local Unit of Government Type <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Twp <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other				Local Unit Name Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association	County Huron
Fiscal Year End 12/31/05		Opinion Date 4/27/06		Date Audit Report Submitted to State 5/24/06	

We affirm that:

We are certified public accountants licensed to practice in Michigan.


We further affirm the following material, "no" responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (report of comments and recommendations).

YES ☒ NO ☐ Check each applicable box below. (See instructions for further detail.)

1. ☒ ☐ All required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit are included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements as necessary.
2. ☒ ☐ There are no accumulated deficits in one or more of this unit's unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets (P.A. 275 of 1980) or the local unit has not exceeded its budget for expenditures.
3. ☒ ☐ The local unit is in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury.
4. ☒ ☐ The local unit has adopted a budget for all required funds.
5. ☐ ☐ A public hearing on the budget was held in accordance with State statute.
6. ☒ ☐ The local unit has not violated the Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, or other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division.
7. ☒ ☐ The local unit has not been delinquent in distributing tax revenues that were collected for another taxing unit.
8. ☒ ☐ The local unit only holds deposits/investments that comply with statutory requirements.
9. ☒ ☐ The local unit has no illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to our attention as defined in the *Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan*, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin).
10. ☒ ☐ There are no indications of defalcation, fraud or embezzlement, which came to our attention during the course of our audit that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division (LAFD). If there is such activity that has not been communicated, please submit a separate report under separate cover.
11. ☒ ☐ The local unit is free of repeated comments from previous years.
12. ☒ ☐ The audit opinion is UNQUALIFIED.
13. ☒ ☐ The local unit has complied with GASB 34 or GASB 34 as modified by MCGAA Statement #7 and other generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).
14. ☒ ☐ The board or council approves all invoices prior to payment as required by charter or statute.
15. ☒ ☐ To our knowledge, bank reconciliations that were reviewed were performed timely.

If a local unit of government (authorities and commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is not included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, please enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

I, the undersigned, certify that this statement is complete and accurate in all respects.

We have enclosed the following:	Enclosed	Not Required (enter a brief justification)	
Financial Statements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
The letter of Comments and Recommendations	<input type="checkbox"/>	No written comments and recommendations.	
Other (Describe)	<input type="checkbox"/>		
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**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
BAD AXE, MICHIGAN**

**FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2005**

BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Bad Axe Area Fire Board
Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association
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We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of the Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association, as of December 31, 2005, and for the year then ended as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Association's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Management has not prepared their discussion and analysis information for the Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association. This discussion is required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as supplemental information.

In our opinion, except for the omission of management's discussion and analysis as discussed in the previous paragraph, which results in an incomplete presentation, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association as of December 31, 2005, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The budgetary comparison information on page 10 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.



BRINING & NARTKER, P.C.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

April 27, 2006

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
DECEMBER 31, 2005**

ASSETS:

Current assets:

Cash	\$ 112,575
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Noncurrent assets:

Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	503,835
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TOTAL ASSETS	<u>616,410</u>
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LIABILITIES:

Current liabilities:

Payroll withholdings payable	3,006
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Noncurrent liabilities	-
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>3,006</u>
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NET ASSETS:

Investment in capital fixed assets
net of related debt

503,835

Unrestricted

109,569

TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 613,404</u></u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

PROGRAM EXPENSES:

Public Safety

Personal services	\$ 87,407
Supplies	16,696
Professional and contracted services	3,418
Communications	6,376
Community promotion	40
Utilities	4,223
Repairs	8,900
Insurance	23,545
Other	1,388
Depreciation expense	67,952
Interest expense	205

TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	220,150
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PROGRAM REVENUES:

Charges for services	18,834
Operating contributions	224,699

TOTAL PROGRAM REVENUES	243,533
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NET PROGRAM REVENUE	23,383
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GENERAL REVENUES:

Interest	754
Other	5,777

SPECIAL ITEM:

Gain on sale of equipment	3,684
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TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND SPECIAL ITEM	10,215
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CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	33,598
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NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	579,806
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NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 613,404
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 2005**

	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash	\$ 112,575
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 112,575</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>	
LIABILITIES:	
Payroll withholdings payable	\$ 3,006
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>3,006</u>
FUND BALANCE:	
Reserved	28,118
Unreserved	81,451
TOTAL FUND BALANCE	<u>109,569</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	<u>\$ 112,575</u>

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET FUND BALANCE TO
THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

Total governmental fund balance	\$ 109,569
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	503,835
Net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$ 613,404</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

	GENERAL FUND
REVENUES:	
Contribution from City of Bad Axe	\$ 92,383
Contribution from Colfax Township	72,075
Contribution from Verona Township	60,241
Response fees	18,834
Interest	754
Other	5,777
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>250,064</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
Current:	
Public safety	150,977
Capital outlay	21,130
Debt service	18,302
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>190,409</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>59,655</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	
Proceeds from sale of assets	4,402
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	<u>64,057</u>
FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2005	45,512
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2005	<u><u>\$ 109,569</u></u>

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

Net change in fund balance	\$ 64,057
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:	
Capital outlay	20,114
Depreciation	(67,952)
Repayment of notes payable is an expenditure in governmental funds, but reduces the long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.	18,097
Proceeds from sale of assets is a financing source in governmental funds but gain or loss is recognized in the statement of activities based on asset cost net of depreciation.	
Proceeds	(4,402)
Gain on sale of assets	3,684
Change in net assets of governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 33,598</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies used by the Bad Axe Area Fire Protection Association.

Description of Association Operations

The Association was formed pursuant to the terms of an interlocal agreement dated September 7, 1989. The Association began operations in January 1990 and its purpose is to provide fire protection to the residents and property owners of the constituent units which include the City of Bad Axe, Colfax Township and Verona Township in Huron County, Michigan.

The Association operates under an appointed board consisting of representatives from each constituent unit. All representatives are appointed by their respective governing bodies by resolution and serve following appointment, until a successor is appointed. A board member is eligible for reappointment at the expiration of his (or her) term of office, and must be a resident of the constituent unit which he (or she) represents. A board member shall not be an employee of any fire department of the Association.

Reporting Entity

In accordance with the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14 as amended by GASB 39, the definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the premise of financial accountability. The Association is a primary government and is financially accountable for the organizations that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for legally separate organizations if its officials appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and either it is able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the primary government. A primary government may also be financially accountable for governmental organizations that are fiscally dependent on it. These types of organizations are deemed component units.

Based on these provisions, there are no organizations that are deemed to be component units of the Association.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., statement of net assets and statement of activities) are reported using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized when it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Capital Assets

Capital outlays are recorded as expenditures of the General Fund and as assets in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Association as assets with an initial individual cost of \$10,000 or more and an estimated life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Depreciation is recorded on capital assets on a government-wide basis using the straight-line method using the following estimated useful lives:

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**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
(CONTINUED)**

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital Assets (Continued)

Buildings	10 - 40 years
Equipment	5 - 20 years

Accounting Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

NOTE 2 – BUDGET INFORMATION

The budget and all amendments thereto, for the General Fund have been shown at the line item level. The approved budget was adopted at the fund level on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end. The General Fund does not utilize encumbrance accounting.

Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations in Budgetary Funds

P.A. 621 of 1978, section 18(1), as amended, provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. During the year ended December 31, 2005, actual expenditures did not exceed budgeted expenditures.

NOTE 3 - CASH

The Association's cash account consists of an interest bearing checking account and a certificate of deposit. As of December 31, 2005, the carrying amount and the bank balance of the accounts amounted to \$117,012 and \$112,575, respectively. The amount is fully covered by federal depository insurance.

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
(CONTINUED)**

NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the current year was as follows:

	Balance January 1, <u>2005</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	Balance December 31, <u>2005</u>
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Buildings	\$ 237,727	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 237,727
Equipment	825,801	20,114	18,500	\$ 827,415
	<u>1,063,528</u>	<u>20,114</u>	<u>18,500</u>	<u>1,065,142</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation for				
Buildings	59,959	7,661	-	\$ 67,620
Equipment	451,178	60,291	17,782	\$ 493,687
	<u>511,137</u>	<u>67,952</u>	<u>17,782</u>	<u>561,307</u>
Governmental Activity Net Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>\$ 552,391</u>	<u>\$ (47,838)</u>	<u>\$ 718</u>	<u>\$ 503,835</u>

NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt consists of the following at December 31, 2005:

Note payable - Signature Bank, payable in quarterly installments of \$12,025 including interest at the rate of 4.585%, due April 2005, secured by a fire truck. This loan meets the requirements of MCL 141.451.

\$ -

Changes in long-term debt for the year ended December 31, 2005 were as follows:

	BALANCE JANUARY 1, <u>2005</u>	<u>ADDITIONS</u>	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, <u>2005</u>
Notes payable:				
Signature Bank	\$ 18,097	\$ -	\$ 18,097	\$ -
Totals	<u>\$ 18,097</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 18,097</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005
(CONTINUED)**

NOTE 6 - RESERVED FUND BALANCE

Reserved fund balance consists of a cash residual resulting from the receipt of memorials and fundraisers to be used for the purchase of equipment. In addition, funds have been transferred into a certificate of deposit to be used for the purchase of equipment. The balance at December 31, 2005 is as follows:

Balance January 1, 2005	\$ 4,100
Memorials and fundraisers	2,118
Funds used to purchase certificate of deposit	22,000
Purchase of equipment	(100)
Balance, December 31, 2005	<u><u>\$ 28,118</u></u>

NOTE 7 - CONTRIBUTIONS

In the event that it is necessary to finance all or any part of the operating fund or capital expenditures of the Association by contribution, the contribution to be made to the Association by each constituent unit shall be equal to that percentage or proportion which each constituent bears to the whole of the Association based upon the state equalized value of all property. State equalized values shall be based upon figures from the most recently completed calendar year. To be binding upon a constituent unit, any contribution must be authorized by resolution of the governing body of that constituent unit. The failure of the governing body of any constituent unit to authorize its contribution to the Association and/or to pay the same in full to the Association within thirty (30) days of the commencement of the Association's fiscal year shall operate as an immediate withdrawal of that constituent unit from the Association.

Contributions for the year ended December 31, 2005 were \$92,383, \$72,075 and \$60,241 for the City of Bad Axe, the Township of Colfax and the Township of Verona, respectively.

NOTE 8 – RETIREMENT PLAN

The Association offers a Savings Incentive Match Plan for Employees (SIMPLE) to the full time employee. The eligible employee determines the amount of his elective deferral and the Association matches that deferral up to 3% of compensation. The 2005 employer contribution amounted to \$1,090.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

**BAD AXE AREA FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

	<u>ORIGINAL BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)</u>
REVENUES:				
Contribution from City of Bad Axe	\$ 92,383	\$ 92,383	\$ 92,383	\$ -
Contribution from Colfax Township	72,154	72,154	72,075	(79)
Contribution from Verona Township	60,241	60,241	60,241	-
Response fees	8,600	8,600	18,834	10,234
Interest	500	500	754	254
Donations	-	-	3,018	3,018
Miscellaneous	-	-	2,759	2,759
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>233,878</u>	<u>233,878</u>	<u>250,064</u>	<u>16,186</u>
EXPENDITURES:				
Audit services	1,100	2,200	2,195	5
Community promotion	450	350	40	310
Contractual service	600	700	658	42
Dues and subscriptions	600	600	584	16
Education and training	1,000	1,000	687	313
Equipment repair	1,200	1,200	637	563
Expendable equipment	12,000	12,000	9,571	2,429
Gas and oil	2,500	2,500	2,094	406
Insurance - general	25,000	24,900	20,935	3,965
Insurance - vehicle	9,300	9,400	9,389	11
Insurance - workers compensation	7,000	7,000	4,465	2,535
Legal service	2,500	1,400	565	835
Maintenance	5,000	2,000	1,878	122
Office supplies	1,500	1,500	619	881
Operating supplies	4,800	4,800	4,382	418
Payroll expenses	80,000	80,000	76,163	3,837
Printing and publishing	150	150	-	150
Radio equipment	2,000	5,000	4,897	103
Radio repair	600	940	938	2
Travel and meals	500	160	117	43
Utilities	9,500	9,500	5,702	3,798
Vehicle maintenance	6,500	6,500	4,431	2,069
Water	120	120	30	90
Capital outlay	38,911	38,911	21,130	17,781
Debt service	-	-	18,302	(18,302)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>212,831</u>	<u>212,831</u>	<u>190,409</u>	<u>22,422</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>21,047</u>	<u>21,047</u>	<u>59,655</u>	<u>38,608</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:				
Proceeds from sale of assets	-	-	4,402	4,402
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	<u>21,047</u>	<u>21,047</u>	<u>64,057</u>	<u>43,010</u>
FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2005	<u>45,512</u>	<u>45,512</u>	<u>45,512</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2005	<u>\$ 66,559</u>	<u>\$ 66,559</u>	<u>\$ 109,569</u>	<u>\$ 43,010</u>